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FOR AMBASSADOR LEWIS FROM ATHERTON

E. O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: OVIP(ATHERTON, ALFRED L., JR.)
SUBJECT: ATHERTON'S SCHEDULE IN ISRAEL

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1. YOUR INVITATION TO ME AND MY PARTY WEDNESDAY EVENING IS VERY APPEALING, BUT AFTER MORE THOUGHT FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF REFTEL C, WE STILL BELIEVE WE SHOULD STAY IN JERUSALEM THAT EVENING AFTER OUR ARRIVAL FROM AMMAN. WE SHALL BE ARRIVING LATER THAN ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED, AND AFTER MY MEETING WITH YOU THAT AFTERNOON AND THE WORK WE WILL HAVE TO COMPLETE, I THINK IT BEST NOT TO PLAN TO GO TO DINNER THAT EVENING IN TEL AVIV.

2. BOTH THE LARGER MEETING WITH BEGIN ON THURSDAY AFTER-NOON AT 5:30 AND THE SMALLER PRIVATE LUNCH WITH DAYAN ON FRIDAY AT 12:30 SOUND FINE. BETTY AND I WILL PLAN TO GO DIRECTLY FROM THE LUNCH TO THE AIRPLANE. I SHALL ALSO PLAN TO GIVE THE PRESS BACKGROUNDER IN JERUSALEM FRIDAY MORNING, BUT WOULD LIKE TO ARRANGE THE EXACT TIMING AND WHOM TO INVITE AFTER ARRIVING WEDNESDAY.

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3. IF YOU THINK A LUNCH WITH MIRA AVRECH ON THURSDAY CANNOT AGAIN GRACEFULLY BE FINESSED, AND ASSUMING IT IS IN JERUSALEM, I WOULD BE PREPARED TO GO. IF CONVENIENT, I WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE YOUR INCLUDING GEORGE SHERMAN IN SUCH A LUNCHEON. SUDDARTH

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